

## SHOT TO DEATH FROM AMBUSH

Another Assassination Near  
Starks, Bradford County.

MURDERER LEAVES NO CLUE

Martin DeBue, a well-known colored man, killed last Wednesday, while driving leisurely along the road home.

(Starks Telegraph.)

Martin DeBue, a well-known and highly respected negro living about seven miles northwest of Starks, was way-laid and shot to death about sundown Wednesday afternoon.

DeBue had worked all day at the farm of Wm. Reddish and was on his way home when he was shot. He was in a buggy and was driving along leisurely, eating a piece of watermelon that had been given him by Mr. Reddish. About mid-way between the home of Mr. Reddish and the home of Williamson Walwright the road traveled by DeBue leads across a small drain skirted by a heavy growth of trees and underbrush. It was here that the assassin secreted himself and when his unsuspecting victim came along he fired the fatal shot and made good his escape. The assassin used a shot gun heavily charged with buckshot and the charge took effect in DeBue's right side, inflicting wounds from which he died in a few minutes.

The report of the gun frightened DeBue's horse and the animal ran away. Two sons of Mr. Reddish, who were working in a field that lies along the road, heard the shot and saw the horse coming down the road on a run and went to DeBue's assistance. They succeeded in stopping the horse, but the wounded man, who had fallen over on the buggy seat, was already gasping for breath and died without being able to speak to them.

Mr. Reddish sent news of the tragedy to near-by neighbors at once and Tracy Walwright came to town to notify the authorities. About 9 o'clock Judge Dohle, Sheriff Bennett and a small party of citizens left for the scene of the tragedy. Arriving there Judge Dohle empaneled a jury composed of W. D. Alvarez, S. L. Alvarez, Frank Burnard, Dorsey Adams, Drew Reddish and J. W. Williams. The jury viewed the body and adjourned to meet again Friday morning at 9 o'clock, and the officers returned without having found the slightest clue to identify the assassin. Sheriff Bennett visited the locality again Thursday morning and spent half of the day in the hope that he might secure some information that would lead to the apprehension of the guilty party, but his trip was a fruitless one.

The murdered man was an old resident of the locality in which he lived and here an excellent reputation.

## NEWS OF CITY AND COUNTY CONDENSED

C. Rain of Archer was in Gainesville yesterday on business.

J. H. Holly was a business visitor to Gainesville from Arredondo Saturday.

Geo. Taylor and M. Venable were among the Archer visitors to Gainesville yesterday.

Marriage licenses were issued to C. D. Sanders and Sarah Pons by Judge Mason Saturday.

Sheriff L. W. Pennell left Saturday for Campyville on official business. He is expected home today.

Rev. J. C. Collum of Waldo is in the city for a few days. He is pastor of the Baptist church at that place.

W. W. Colson, tax assessor of Alachua county, has returned from a pleasant visit to Gulf Hammock and Trenton.

Capt. G. W. Kelley is in the city on a visit to his son, Dr. J. L. Kelley. Capt. Kelley will remain in Gainesville for several days.

C. C. Clayton, a prominent contractor and carpenter of Gainesville, left Saturday for Jacksonville, where he will attend to some business matters.

The street leading to the Seaboard depot, which was originally the best constructed street in Gainesville, has been permitted to become in a de-



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plorable condition. It is badly in need of immediate repair.

"Doc" Adams of Windsor was in the city trading yesterday. He says that not sufficient rain has yet fallen in his section to satisfy the thirsty crops.

All copy for local notices intended for publication in the daily edition of The Sun should be in the office not later than 9 o'clock p. m. preceding desired date of publication.

Miss L. St. Clair of Trenton has been assigned to the Tyler school. Her many friends in Tyler will be glad to hear that she will be with them for the next school term.

Mrs. Hattie A. Bailey of Rex was in the city Saturday. Mrs. Bailey is the widow of W. D. Bailey, an old Confederate soldier, and was here to establish her claim for pension.

The condition of the streets of the city yesterday, as well as the roads leading into town, was not calculated to be conducive to the welfare of our merchants from a business standpoint.

B. M. Ham, colored, pressman of The Sun for many years, goes on a visit Monday to his old home in Charleston. This is Bright's first visit home since he came to the State over thirteen years ago.

C. C. Strickland of Hague was among those who visited the county capital Saturday, returning home in the evening. Mr. Strickland has many friends in Gainesville who are always glad to see him.

E. M. Weston, who is now engaged in the piano business, left yesterday for Sampson City on business. Mr. Weston has not been in the piano business very long but is making quite a success of the venture.

Remember the excursion rates on the Seaboard Air Line to Savannah and Columbia. Rate to Savannah, round trip, only \$5.50; to Columbia, \$7.50. See regular advertisement in this issue for further particulars.

Col. F. Y. Smith of Alachua was in the city yesterday. Col. Smith is just back from Chicago, where he has been taking a post-graduate course in law. He left Saturday afternoon for his home in Alachua.

Geo. B. Evans, manager of the Evans Seed Store, has made some improvements in the furnishings of his establishment. He now has his office in the center of the store, where he can be handy to his desk at all times.

W. J. Williams of Trenton was in the city yesterday. Mr. Williams has been engaged in the mill business at Inverness for the past several months, but has severed his connection there

and returned to Alachua county, where he will again engage in the mill business.

Nearly all of the schools have been supplied with teachers and Dr. Kelley, county superintendent, says that he will soon have the list ready for publication. Dr. Kelley has been very busy securing teachers to supply all his demands.

The City Auditor's report of the various municipal officers will be found in today's issue of The Sun. If any tax payer desires information not contained in the report the columns of The Sun are open for him to call for the additional data desired.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Haddock of Richmond, Va., are in the city on a visit to Mrs. Haddock's parents, Judge and Mrs. Mason. Mr. Haddock will only be in Gainesville for a few days, but his wife will remain until her father, Judge Mason, goes to Virginia for his summer vacation.

The Sun acknowledges a pleasant call yesterday from Prof. Leo Suhrie, principal of the Normal department of the Stetson University, DeLand, who came to address the teachers of the Summer Normal Friday evening. Prof. Suhrie is an educator of note, and his address Friday evening was very much enjoyed, as well as quite instructive.

Harry McDonald, an old Gainesville boy who is now one of the most valuable employees of the Atlantic Coast Line with headquarters in High Springs, was in the city Saturday. Mr. McDonald is now an engineer; he has not been with the railroad long but has made an enviable record for himself. Mr. McDonald was formerly engaged as a salesman in the store of Saunders & Earle.

J. W. Williamson, who formerly resided at Micanopy but for several years a resident of Fort Lauderdale, Dade county, is in the city. Mr. Williamson reports his section of the East Coast in a prosperous condition, and says that the work of draining the Everglades, from what he can learn, is progressing satisfactorily. He assisted in constructing both the dredge boats now used in the work.

S. H. Wienges, clerk of the circuit court, has just returned from a pleasant visit to Jacksonville. Mr. Wienges will leave tomorrow for Charleston, S. C., where he will visit relatives for several days. When asked by a representative of The Sun if he intended visiting other points in South Carolina besides Charleston he remarked, "I am going to visit South Carolina. I don't know how many places. I am going to see just as many of my relatives as I can find."

### Steckert Entertains.

A few friends of W. R. Steckert had the pleasure of being entertained at his home on East Lassiter street Thursday evening. Music was furnished by Miss Ruby DeLand, and Mrs. Hudson assisted Mr. Steckert to entertain.

Ice Cream, cake, and "White Ribbon Punch" were served in the commodious dining-room and many and humorous were the toasts offered. A. O. Steenburg was the appointed toastmaster of the evening. After which followed music and conversation, both interesting and instructive.

After posing for flashlights each in turn expressed their thanks to the gallant host, regretting that the evening was so short, and that the time had come to bring the pleasant meeting to a close.

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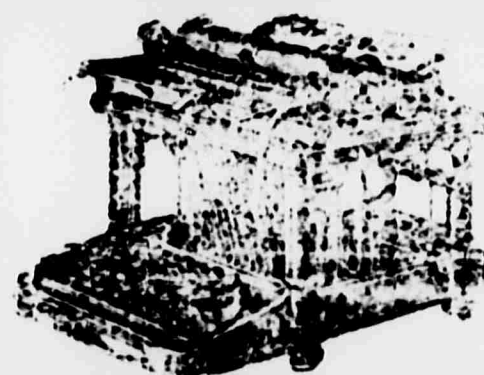
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